## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 were pending in the above-captioned application, all of which are subject to a restriction requirement, restricting the claims between Group I, claims 1-10, drawn to a process for making a composite; and Group II, claims 11-20, drawn to a vehicle brake assembly and process for making the assembly.

Applicants hereby elect for prosecution the invention of the Group I claims, claims 1-10, with traverse. The Listing of claims provided hereinabove effects this election by indicating that non-elected claims 11-20 are withdrawn.

However, the Restriction Requirement does not establish that the inventions of the two Groups of claims are independent and distinct. As such, the restriction is traversed and withdrawal of the restriction and prosecution of all claims 1-20 is respectfully requested.

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for a one month extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement, extending their time to respond to May 10, 2005. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$120 for a one month

extension of time, as well as any deficiency attendant to the filing of this response, to Deposit Account No. 21-0010.

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